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PICTURE OF THE MONTH



Gold Quality Wins Club's Main Event from Gallant Archer

The Club's May meeting, although postponed by the weather to Wednesday, June 1, was well attended. Picture shows Gold Quality ridden by J. O'Sullivan winning the James Barnes Plate from Gallant Archer, with Shaded third.

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KEEPING POSTED

EVERY year, about this time,

Dr. Hymie Owen does a very nice thing: he arranges a lunch in the Dining Room for himself, Jim Cromwell and Les Harrison. The anniversary he celebrates is the date of his election to membership of the Club; and the two he entertains are, of course, his proposer and second. A pleasant gesture to his friends — and a pleasant compliment to the Club, that he should feel his membership so important to him that he wishes to remember the day it began.

BACK from New Zealand for another foray is the ever-welcome Doug Webster, gout and all. Don't say we didn't give you fair warning.

THE American airmen who flew on the record-breaking flights from Japan were grateful for the fact that the Committee granted them the privilege of membership while they were here — they proved very welcome guests and we hope they will come again this way soon.

ANOTHER very welcome airman visitor was Air Vice-Marshall Walters, C.O. of the R.A.A.F. Home Command — in the Club with E. K. White.

SPARE a moment of envy, as well as a "Bon voyage" wish, for Ward Booth, off to the United Kingdom to attend a gathering of printers.



DANCING and CONCERT NIGHT

Dining Room, Saturday,
25th June, 1955

Commencing 6.30 p.m.

Cover Charge, 5/- per person

Reservations may be made at
Club Office

SPARE another moment of envy for Ted Wales. He sends enticing-looking postcards from Madrid and hotel brochures from San Remo, just to remind his friends in the Club that he is thoroughly enjoying himself in the South of Europe before going on to London.

GOOD wishes go to two Club stalwarts who are confined by ill health to their respective homes — Bill Brooks and F. G. Underwood. We hope you will soon be with us again; Bill's entertaining conversation (on any subject) is greatly missed on the first floor; and so is Frank's shrewd comment on Union and wrestling and boxing, based on the many years he was a participant in amateur sport.

EDITORIAL: What Makes Racing?

Colour and adventure are highlights of racing in the sport's fulfilment of what Australians have sought and will continue to seek.

To play down racing to a slow-moving spectacle, lacking the stimulation of a gamble, would be to numb its finest sensations, of which the roar of the ring is all-important.

"Racing reform", so called, does not demand over-control which, carried to extreme, means

lessening of the magic of this King of Sports and, for its votaries, disenchantment.

For these reasons, authorities should reflect before attempting to deny the people who go racing, enticements and excitements which make racing a payable proposition for all parties.

A joust with the bookmakers should certainly be counted among the fixtures which it would be ill-advised to dwarf, much less to demolish.

Happy Birthday to You!

JUNE

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|--|---|
| 1 Norman Barrell
I. Green | 16 J. F. Bremner
17 Dr. J. C. Bell
Allen
P. P. Hassett |
| 2 G. B. Murtough
L. O. Traynor | 19 Neil McKenna
N. Shureck
R. G. Gray, Snr. |
| 3 F. G. Harvie
John Wars | 20 F. G. Underwood
C. R. Cornwall
L. G. Sharpe
Horace Abbott |
| 4 F. R. Clift
Struan Smith | 21 H. R. Bowden
A. W. Dye
C. F. Wright |
| 5 Alfred Brookes | 22 L. A. Davis
Raymond J. Murphy
P. A. Godhard |
| 6 R. N. Dowling
L. S. Parker | 23 Ray Vaughan
C. D. Tarrant
A. E. Primrose |
| 7 H. J. Robertson
T. Keith Smith
E. W. McAlpine
N. Flohm
L. M. Purcell | 24 A. E. Primrose |
| 8 R. M. Colechin
G. W. Bray | 25 J. D. Hickey |
| 9 S. Baker
H. Bassett | 26 C. A. Hutcherson
A. L. Smith |
| 10 J. M. Mills | 27 Rev. Geo. Cowie
N. P. Murphy |
| 11 C. E. Young
J. F. Maunsell
Dr. B. Maguire | 28 A. V. Caswell
F. E. Johns
C. J. Manning |
| 12 W. M. Edmonds | 29 A. J. Genge
L. A. Campbell
R. O. Cummings |
| 13 F. M. Daly,
M.H.R.
J. A. O'Brien
A. J. Neustadt
H. J. Pamphilon | 30 R. A. Howes
Morgan Ford
B. L. Cutler |
| 14 E. J. Carroll
A. D. Clifford
J. P. Bowles
J. A. Shaw
L. J. Dwyer | |
| 15 J. L. Ruthven
A. C. Cox
R. W. Beatty | |

JULY

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| 1 John Fox | 14 H. W. Reilly
A. A. Geeves
N. J. Roberts
W. H. Loudon |
| 2 G. J. Aitken | 15 Hon. W. M. Gollan, M.L.A.
R. C. Chapple
A. J. Chown
N. Eglese
K. W. Asprey
W. I. Hill |
| 3 S. J. Spencer
Nolan | 16 W. E. Askew
F. W. Houston |
| 4 Clifford Bunch
D. F. Pearse | 17 E. A. Halcroft
Ralph Henry |
| 5 S. M. Hughes
L. D. Noakes
S. G. Hume
R. L. Brittain-White | 18 A. H. Stocks
W. K. Garnsey
R. H. Darch |
| 6 R. S. Bracken
B. Carrier
H. J. Simons | 19 K. F. E. Fidden
J. V. Daniell
R. G. Wallace |
| 7 Dr. J. D. Russell
R. Concannon
W. D. Lawson
R. J. Collins | 20 J. C. Dwyer |
| 8 D. W. Pye
J. M. Burnett
Geo. Christie
C. F. Horley | 21 G. N. Storey
R. C. Spurrett
K. L. Kesteven |
| 9 A. L. Finn | 22 G. E. Baulman |
| 10 B. B. Stapleton
J. Abraham
C. A. Gray | 23 R. E. North-Ash |
| 11 J. T. Willson
S. C. Sinclair
R. H. Barnett | 24 E. J. Thorn
F. W. Spring |
| 12 J. M. Cameron | 25 Dr. D. P. Heragty |
| 13 Dan Casey
F. A. Schmelitschek
L. J. Nealer | |

QUITE a few members said good-bye to Police Commissioner Col Delaney before he left on 3rd June to attend an international police convention in Turkey. His Deputy, George Smith — another good friend of the Club — will be occupying his chair while he is away.

REG ALDERSON is back in the Club again, and making progress to recovery.

IN answer to all the queries: yes, the application list for membership is open; yes, it will remain open until 31st July. Please see notice on next page.

THE architect of this building tucked away the Barber Shop so neatly between the first and second floors that members are apt to forget this convenience, right on the doorstep so to speak. Entrance to the barber's is by stairway near the telephone exchange, opposite the first-floor bar — and the hours of business are 9-5 Monday to Friday, 9-noon on Saturdays.

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| 28 L. J. Maidment | |
| A. Whitford | |
| C. J. Shepherd | |
| A. A. Gregory | |

Members are invited to notify the Secretary of the date of their Birthday.

CONGRATULATIONS — yes, again, — to Adolph Bassar, honoured with the C.B.E. (Commander of the British Empire), in the Queen's Birthday List, in deserved recognition of his philanthropic activities over the years.

A NOTE from Jack Allen, now in the U.S.A., gives news of the fact that he has had to suffer an operation to his knee — at the Mayo Clinic. Quite successful, thank you — and he hopes to see his friends back here again in August.

J. W. DOUGLAS, away in the United Kingdom on a business trip, writes that everything is going well — and he's looking forward to being back in the Club again soon.

HAROLD QUINTON has already returned from his trip to U.K. and the States. Bill Landy, too, is currently being welcomed back.

A REMINDER that the Club's Dine and Dance Concert nights are still as popular as ever — there's only one a month, and many members would like to see them more often! This month, the date's the 25th.

STOP PRESS

BILL BROOKS is back in his usual place — and rapidly getting back into form!



IN AND OUT OF THE POOL

Geoff Laforest Still Leads for "Native Son" Trophy

After landing his second Point Score trophy of the season, and holding a good lead in the "Native Son" 1954/55 Point Score, Geoff Laforest had a day off and has allowed Fred Harvie to be only five and a half points astern in the latter.

SO well is Harvie swimming at present that he may well give Laforest no end of a battle before the final members go up.

At time of writing there were only five events to the end of the season and even five and a half points lead do not make it all safe for Geoff.

However Laforest is in rare form as his win in an exciting finish for the April-May Point Score by a mere half point from Arthur Allsop shows.

Harvie was only a further half point away in third place with the early favourite, Clive Hoole, one and a half points away, fourth.

In the present series Hoole got away to a handy lead in the first two events, both of which he won, but in doing so he broke his time easily and dropped a second handicap. At that stage he was $4\frac{1}{2}$ points ahead of his nearest rival but with one event to go to complete the May-June Point Score his lead has been reduced to $2\frac{1}{2}$ points by Fred Harvie, with Harold Herman close up next.

The 1954/55 Point Score season will end on 5th July, and on present indications the future of the "Native Son" trophy appears to be in the hands of Laforest and Harvie with Herman and Murray fighting out for third place though Bob Harris and Hoole may make it interesting for they are not far astern.

May 24th was a memorable day for the officials and once again the nasty chaps wore a smile as they dumped Geoff Eastment, Clive Hoole and Lee Bowes a second each.

Can't make out what happened on the last day of May. Several Swimmers engaged the Check Starter in a series of queries about the handicaps just as a heat was starting and whilst his attention was engaged it is alleged that one of the starters in the Brace Relay got away ahead of time. The C. S. didn't see it and the team won the race.

Anyway the team must have deserved the win as they took out the final easily and this time the Check Starter was right on the job to see that all was O.K.

Arthur McCamley, after a run of "outs" came into the picture last month with two starts for a win and a third in finals.

Jack Harris has lived up to the form we predicted for him and recently won two heats. He will be hard to beat later on and certainly next season.

Welcome to a new member in Dr. Les Bear, who has had three races with the Club. Nearest to win he has been is second in a heat but he will improve. In his time trial he was bellows-to-mend over the last half lap but his finishing effort is being toughened.

Talking of medicos reminds us that, after a long absence, Dr. Peter Gunton turned up at the Pool with a smile that just wouldn't come off. Reason? The birth of a son that morning! Congrats. Peter!

Our champions should note that the heats of the Club Championships will be held on Tuesday, 12th July and the final on Thursday, 14th July. Individual notifications will not be issued so all intending competitors are requested to take this as due notice.

This season's tussle should be a good one. Last season, Champion Bill Kendall did not compete. In his absence, Malcolm Fuller won well from John Dexter and Geoff Laforest, the other finalists being Bob Harris and Harry Davis.

In 1952/53 Kendall won from Fuller and Dexter with Harris and Harvie the other finalists.

Malcolm Fuller has not been in the best of health lately and may not be a starter in July but with the possible exception of Harry Davis all the others mentioned above should be in the swim plus other stars in Carl Phillips, Arthur Allsop, Lee Borves, Hermie Doerner, Alan Stewart and Bill Williams.

RESULTS

10th May — 40 yards Handicap: 1st Division Final — G. Laforest (22) 1, A. Allsop (22) 2, H. Herman (27) 3. Time 21.4 secs. 2nd Division Final — F. Harvie (22) 1, J. O. Dexter (22) 2, T. Barrell (26) and F. L. Bowes (22) 3. Time 21.6 secs.

17th May — 80 yards Brace Relay Handicap: A. McCamley and C. Hoole (55) 1, H. Herman and G. Eastment (53) and F. Harvie and G. Laforest (44) 3. Time 53.3 secs.

24th May — 40 yards Handicap: C. Hoole (25) 1, R. Harris (22) 2, F. L. Bowes (22) 3. Time 23.6 secs.

31st May — 80 yards Brace Relay Handicap: F. Harvie and R. Corrick (49) 1, P. Lindsay and J. Harris (50) 2, A. McCamley and H. Herman (57) 3. Time 47.2 secs.

"NATIVE SON" POINT SCORE

Leaders in this series, at 2nd June, were:—

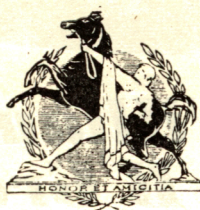
G. Laforest 153, F. Harvie 147½, H. Herman 138½, S. Murray 131½, R. Harris 125½, C. Hoole 122½, C. Godhard 118, F. Muller 116½, R. Corrick 112, P. Lindsay 104½, V. Thicknesse 92, F. L. Bowes 90, B. Chiene 87, A. Allsop 86½, H. E. Davis 83, T. Barrell 80½, C. Borves 80, W. Williams 76, J. O. Dexter 75½, F. Daly and A. McCamley 72½, C. B. Phillips 71, K. Francis 66½, R. Dowling 63, A. Stewart 60½, G. Eastment 59½, N. Barrell 59.

APRIL-MAY POINT SCORE

This series resulted: G. Laforest 25½, 1; A. Allsop 25, 2; F. Harvie 24½, 3; C. Hoole 23, 4; C. Godhard 18, 5; R. Corrick 17, 6; S. Murray 16, 7; P. Lindsay 14½, 8; F. Muller 14, 9; F. L. Bowes 13½, 10; H. Herman and C. Borves 13, 11; T. Barrell 12, 13.

MAY-JUNE POINT SCORE

With one event to complete it, the leaders in this series were: C. Hoole 20, F. Harvie 17½, H. Herman 16½, P. Lindsay 16, G. Eastment 15½, R. Harris 15, A. McCamley and F. L. Bowes 14, A. Allsop and S. Murray 11, G. Laforest 10½, C. Godhard, F. Muller and J. Harris 10.



TATTERSALL'S CLUB SYDNEY

NOTICE

Members are notified that on and after 1st June, 1955, and until 5 p.m. on 31st July, 1955, application for membership will be received.

Application forms will be available from the General Office on and after 9 a.m. on 1st June, 1955.

By Order of the Committee,

M. D. J. DAWSON,

Secretary.

21st MAY, 1955.

HANDBALL



Peter Williams Wins B Grade Championships

During last month, several matches were played in all Grades. Greatest interest, however, centred on the contests for the B Grade Championship. As in other years, the contestants in this Grade showed most enthusiasm, as a result of which the contest has been completed with Peter Williams emerging triumphant over Viv. Thicknesse as the top man of the B Graders. There has not been a worthier B Grade Champion.

THE semi finals of this Competition resulted as follows: Viv Thicknesse defeated Andy McGill 21/11; 21/10; whilst Peter Williams defeated Bill Kirwan 21/12; 21/19.

In the Thicknesse-McGill match, Andy went out a slight favourite to win but Viv, showing dashing form, was always a winner. Andy did not produce the same form as against Neil Barrell in the previous round, could not handle Viv's consistent play, and was defeated 21/11; 21/10.

In the Williams-Kirwan match Peter had a very easy win in the first set. Bill did not settle down until the game was practically over. However, in the

second set, it was a different story as Bill was in the picture all the way and Peter had to produce his very best to win 21/19. It was a very good set and a pleasure to watch. As Peter had won the first set 21/12, this gave him the match and qualified him to meet Viv Thicknesse in the final.

The final was played on Wednesday, 18th May — and what a contest it was! Both men had trained hard and were fit on the day. Peter Williams won the toss and served first. Viv Thicknesse commenced splendidly and quickly ran to a commanding lead. At one stage he led 16/9 and, sensing victory, strove to end the set quickly

with some heavy services, but hit five of them out in a row and allowed Peter to pull up to 14/16. This gave Peter fresh hope and they were 19 each when Peter won the next point to lead 20/19. However, Viv was not finished and drew level again at 20, and went on to win the next two points and the set 22/20. A very good set played in true championship style.

The second set commenced immediately. Viv served first and the score rose equally until 10 each, then to 15 each. At this juncture, Peter gained a break which he held to the end of the set to win 21/19, making one set each. This set was marked by the consistency of Peter. Viv did most of the attacking, but just did not have that little extra pace to win the vital points. Peter at all times made certain of keeping the game going and took advantage of the opportunities as they

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presented themselves. Viv made errors which Peter capitalised on.

After a short spell, the third and final set commenced with Peter serving, and he quickly ran to a good lead, and try as he would, Viv could not peg him back. Just when he would pull up to within two points of Peter, he would lapse into errors, and Peter had no difficulty in running out winner 21/15 for the set and the match. Congratulations, Peter, on a very fine victory; and also to you Viv, for a very fine display; and to both Peter and Viv for a wonderful sporting game, well played. The umpire was Arthur McCamley.

At the time of writing the A grade has reached the semi final stage. George McGilvray defeated Arthur McCamley 21/9; 21/10 in the easiest fashion; and Geoff Eastment defeated John Dexter 18/21; 21/18; 21/10 in a very good match. Geoff continues to show excellent form and, although John won the first set, the result was never in doubt in the final set. However, John had been on the sick list and had no opportunity to practise. The competition has now reached the semi finals with E. E. Davis to play G. McGilvray, and B. Partridge to play G. Eastment.

The C graders are having a great time. Cuth Godhard, who was a late entry, showed great form to defeat Bill Phillips and Frank Muller to reach the semi final, but could not hold Ken Francis who defeated him 21/12; 21/14 in a very good contest and qualified for the final.

The other semi finalists are George Goldie and Harry Castle, who will play as soon as George Goldie's ankle is back to normal. George had a minor accident, resulting in a slight sprain. His favourite masseur, Bryan Tyson, is working on it and hopes to have him fit again in a few days.

RESULTS to 1st JUNE, 1955

A Grade Championship

1st Round	2nd Round	Semi-Final	Final
	E. E. Davis v. Z. Lazarus	E. E. Davis	Winner
G. McGilvray v. F. Harvie	A. McCamley v. G. McGilvray	G. McGilvray	
C. Woodfield v. B. Partridge	B. Partridge v. P. B. Lindsay	B. Partridge	
	J. O. Dexter v. G. Eastment	G. Eastment	

B Grade Championship

1st Round	2nd Round	Semi-Final	Final
A. McGill v. G. Blouton	A. McGill v. N. Barrell	A. McGill	V. Thicknesse
	V. Thicknesse v. B. Adams	V. Thicknesse	
W. W. Kirwan v. E. C. Thomson	W. W. Kirwan v. M. Fuller	W. W. Kirwan	P. Williams
J. Shaffran v. P. Williams	P. Williams v. C. Chatterton	P. Williams	
			Winner

C Grade Championship

1st Round	2nd Round	Semi-Final	Final
W. B. Phillips v. C. Godhard	C. Godhard v. F. Muller	C. Godhard	K. Francis
K. Francis v. T. Barrell	K. Francis v. A. Stewart	K. Francis	
H. P. Castle v. R. Spencer	H. Castle v. J. Brice	H. Castle	Winner
G. Laforest v. G. Goldie	G. Goldie v. L. A. Silk	G. Goldie	

BOWLING NOTES



Win over Waverley — after Eight Years Trying !

Against very strong opposition, Tatt's Bowlers emerged victorious from their three major encounters this month.

PARTICULARLY were we delighted with our win over Waverley in the annual match—After battling for eight long years, we eventually wore them down to register our first win. Despite the gallant effort of their President Les Fingleton to gather strength around him, which meant (to quote him) discarding players whose names were once (and in the not too

distant past) household names in bowls, he could not stem the tide and we ran out comfortable winners.

At Luncheon, Les welcomed "Tatts Bowlers" in his usual inimitable style, also made rather a scathing attack on THEIR Publicity Officer for neglecting to write "The Notes" for the month of April, unfortunately, his sight has been

failing, and overlooked the page — quite understandable, when one reaches Leslie's age, and endeavours to get away without wearing glasses — but since then a further copy was forwarded to him, and close friends have assured me that he has since been to an optician.

Gordon Booth in reply warned Waverley that — this day the tide would be turned, and set a splendid example by defeating his opposition by two shots.

GRAND SNOOKER TOURNAMENT

Draw for 3rd Round

J. W. Rogan	R. 40 v. L. J. Fingleton	R. 50
R. F. Rattray	„ 45 v. J. Davis	„ 55
or	or	
E. A. Halcroft	„ 50 v. G. R. Bryden	„ 32
A. J. Chown	„ 25 v. R. G. Mead	„ 50
A. M. Watson	„ 30 v. H. F. R. Brooks	„ 40
	H. H. Robinson	„ 50
G. J. C. Moore	„ 55 v. or	
	N. Seamonds	„ 60
Dr. N. Rose	„ 40 v. L. J. Haigh	„ 40
	or	
	J. Harris	„ 45
J. R. L. Palfreyman	„ 50 v. J. A. Shaw	„ 52
	or	
C. K. MacDonald	„ 40 v. D. Lotherington	„ 60
or	A. V. Miller	„ 35
H. W. Reilly	„ 45 v. G. H. Elliott	„ 50
E. J. Baulman	„ 50 v. J. A. Williams	„ 50
E. K. White	„ 50 v. or	
	(A. J. Murphy, or	„ 50
	(C. O. Chambers	„ 50
H. Hill	„ 43 v. P. N. Roach	„ 55
K. F. E. Fidden	„ 32 v. C. H. Oswald-Sealy	„ 43
J. D. Hickey	„ 50 v. H. G. Parr	„ 50
N. C. White	„ 50 v. H. J. Robertson	„ 7
J. P. O'Neill	„ 30 v. W. E. Askew	„ 40
R. B. Barmby	„ 50 v. J. H. Peoples	„ 33
or	or	
C. M. McCallum	„ 37 v. A. H. Charleston	„ 50

GRAND BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT

Draw for 2nd Round

B. M. Lane	R. 110 v. F. Vockler Snr.	Scr.
A. V. Miller	„ 35 v. K. F. E. Fidden	R. 115
C. H. Oswald-Sealy	„ 85 v. D. N. Alexander	„ 125
or		
F. E. Headlam	„ 55 v. K. Ranger	„ 105
K. Ranger	„ 90 v. E. A. Halcroft	„ 110
J. D. Hickey	„ 120 v. J. H. Peoples	„ 75
W. Longworth Owes	100 v. E. A. Westhoff	„ 90
G. R. Bryden	R. 80 v. V. L. Kirby	„ 110
J. Harris	„ 95 v. W. G. Hutchinson	„ 115
H. Hill	„ 90 v. R. Rattray	„ 70
E. K. White	„ 100 v. Dr. N. Rose	„ 120
R. G. Mead	„ 125 v. P. N. Roach	„ 100
	L. H. Howarth	
J. Davis	„ 130 v. or	„ 105
	L. J. Fingleton	„ 70
L. J. Haigh	„ 60 v. J. P. O'Neill	„ 145
A. J. Chown	„ 30 v. Ralph Hutchinson	„ 115
	E. J. Baulman	
C. Scarf	„ 140 v. or	„ 130
	E. W. Abbott	„ 90
W. H. Loudon	„ 80 v. T. B. Dwyer	

Due to the remarkable scoring of Ted Abbott, the result was in doubt until the Stewards had scrutinised his card and handwriting expert called in, it was eventually agreed that he had in addition to including for Waverley the rink number on their score, had inadvertently gathered in the date. It was one of the grandest days in our history and to the President, Committee and Members of Waverley we say a very special Thank You.

In our Match against R.A.C.A. on North Sydney greens due to a superhuman effort on the part of Jack McKendrick's rink, we snatched a win by 6 points, and Jack's team won the trophy.

The much coveted Double Bay Cup was keenly contested, and although we were winners on the day, unfortunately we did not gain a sufficiently big enough margin to qualify in the semi-final, but have hopes for the future.

The Tuesday Knock-out Competition is rapidly drawing to a close and by next issue we should have the final results — for a time at least Alex Buckle will be off the headache powders.

Just in time to make this issue is news that Bill McDonald has been presented with an ILLUMINUS Ignition Key that in addition to quite a number of uses, does away with that embarrassing situation of having to push his car.

Fred Vockler is looking very much better and is almost back to normal since taking the advice of his erstwhile friends in changing his medicine to atomic water.

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The Story of Shannon

PETER RIDDLE PICKED HIM OUT AS A FOAL—AND PICKED A FORTUNE

Passing in the U.S. of Shannon—he broke a leg and was destroyed—recalled how lucky was Peter Riddle apart from that lucky buy—350 guineas.

WHEN Peter was not in the money and had only the one horse to train (Modulation), his fortunes were about to suffer another reverse when Percy Miller announced his intention to sell Modulation.

Peter approached W. T. (Billy) Kerr, who did not want an extra horse; but in his natural generosity said to Peter: "If the price be reasonable I'll buy Modulation for your sake." So a deal was made at 450 guineas.

Peter certainly turned out Modulation a winner of an Epsom for his benefactor, but he also made the most of Modulation as a galloping companion for Shannon.

Once, when W. T. Kerr was eager to have Modulation carry his colours in an Epsom — W. T. K. raced chiefly for sport — Riddle prevailed on him to scratch Modulation and make the race easier for Shannon, saying: "I'll win later with Modulation."

Be that as it may, W. T. Kerr was less concerned with winning than with the relish he got from seeing his colours up.

Famous Colours

Incidentally, when Sir Samuel Horden retired from racing he presented his colours — which were those of his father — to W. T. Kerr.

Be it said for Peter Riddle that he spotted Shannon as a foal running with his dam at Kia Ora stud and marked him down as having the makings of a champion.

Bert Riddle, Peter's brother and manager of Kia Ora, was

told by Peter: "I'll buy that fellow when he is submitted, if I have the money."

Shannon was named for Peter Riddle by Claude Magennis (William Inglis and Son Pty. Ltd.).

Record as Sire

Shannon's progeny at the stud in America carried on the

Gaelic tag: Shannon Floss, Shannon Girl, King's Shannon, Mauverneen, Celtic Spirit, Country Clare, Shanney, Sea o' Erin.

All proved good winners; for example: Sea o' Erin, 22,075 dollars in 1953; 40,000 in 1954; County Clare, 18,750 dollars last year; Shanney, 132,275 dollars, 1953, 159,205 dollars 1954.

All the principals of this narrative are dead: W. T. Kerr, the Riddle brothers and, last of all, Shannon.



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RESULTS

GRAND BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT up to and including 31/5/55

1st ROUND (Continued)

T. B. Dwyer	Rec. 90 beat P. W. McGrath	Rec. 120 by 56
P. N. Roach	Rec. 120 beat N. Seamonds	Rec. 160 by 4
Dr. N. H. Rose	Rec. 70 beat J. L. Monaro	Rec. 100 by 5
R. G. Mead	Rec. 125 beat J. Rogan	Rec. 110 by 11
W. G. Hutchinson	Rec. 110 beat E. A. Collins	Rec. 105 by forfeit
E. A. Halcroft	Rec. 105 beat A. C. Gelling	Rec. 115 by 9
J. H. Peoples	Rec. 110 beat C. Lavigne	Rec. 105 by forfeit
K. Ranger	Rec. 90 beat Judge Holden	Rec. 125 by 30
E. A. Westhoff	Rec. 75 beat P. J. Schwarz	Rec. 85 by 91
A. J. Chown	Rec. 30 beat J. L. Pick	Rec. 95 by forfeit
W. H. Loudon	Rec. 80 beat F. Vockler Jnr.	Rec. 115 by forfeit
A. V. Miller	Rec. 35 beat J. I. Armstrong	Rec. 125 by 22
J. D. Hickey	Rec. 120 beat G. J. C. Moore	Rec. 130 by 9
J. Davis	Rec. 130 beat A. Lash	Rec. 105 by 8
E. K. White	Rec. 100 beat C. M. McCallum	Rec. 80 by 42
J. P. O'Neill	Rec. 70 beat D. Lotherington	Rec. 130 by 46
B. M. Lane	Rec. 110 beat A. J. Howarth	Rec. 70 by 55

GRAND SNOOKER TOURNAMENT up to and including 31/5/55

1st ROUND (Continued)

D. Lotherington	Rec. 60 beat W. Longworth	Scratch by 47
I. E. Stanford	Rec. 45 beat S. Stewart	Rec. 50 by 10
J. A. Shaw	Rec. 52 beat E. A. Davis	Rec. 32 by 54
A. H. Charleston	Rec. 50 beat Dr. E. A. Marsden	Rec. 50 by forfeit
W. E. Askew	Rec. 40 beat I. Silk	Rec. 53 by 13
R. G. Mead	Rec. 50 beat A. Lash	Rec. 37 by 18
T. O. Ziems	Rec. 40 beat L. J. Haigh	Rec. 40 by 60
J. F. O'Sullivan	Rec. 45 beat W. G. Hutchinson	Rec. 50 by forfeit
G. J. C. Moore	Rec. 55 beat G. Fienberg	Rec. 32 by 59
V. L. Kirby	Rec. 40 beat J. I. Armstrong	Rec. 55 by forfeit
H. H. Robinson	Rec. 50 beat E. A. Westhoff	Rec. 30 by 63
C. M. McCallum	Rec. 37 beat R. J. A. Gray	Rec. 50 by 17

2nd ROUND

E. K. White	Rec. 50 beat P. J. Schwarz	Rec. 35 by 4
W. E. Askew	Rec. 40 beat A. C. Gelling	Rec. 40 by 10
P. N. Roach	Rec. 55 beat J. C. Rhind	Rec. 45 by 53
A. M. Watson	Rec. 30 beat C. Scarf	Rec. 60 by 8
Dr. N. H. Rose	Rec. 40 beat J. L. Monaro	Rec. 50 by 19
H. G. Parr	Rec. 50 beat B. M. Lane	Rec. 25 by 51
A. V. Miller	Rec. 35 beat K. Ranger	Rec. 40 by 22
J. W. Rogan	Rec. 40 beat C. E. Young	Rec. 35 by 37
J. R. L. Palfreyman	Rec. 50 beat J. E. Logan	Rec. 50 by 41
J. D. Hickey	Rec. 50 beat A. S. Gordon	Rec. 55 by 21
H. J. Robertson	Rec. 7 beat J. F. O'Sullivan	Rec. 45 by 15
G. J. C. Moore	Rec. 55 beat R. Hutchinson	Rec. 60 by 7
C. H. Oswald-Sealy	Rec. 43 beat V. L. Kirby	Rec. 40 by 6
G. H. Elliott	Rec. 50 beat F. Vockler Snr.	Rec. 20 by 4
H. F. R. Brooks	Rec. 40 beat T. B. Dwyer	Rec. 45 by 13
L. J. Fingleton	Rec. 50 beat A. C. Buckle	Rec. 50 by 24
J. P. O'Neill	Rec. 30 beat L. H. Howarth	Rec. 35 by 49
H. Hill	Rec. 43 beat C. Lavigne	Rec. 50 by 50

Clubs Race Meeting was Highly Successful—despite postponement

No vintage poured at the special luncheon was as sparkling or compensating as the weather god, by strange prank, kept bottled from the Saturday, as scheduled, to the Wednesday, as postponed.

THIS sunshine fell copiously, a sedative—even a stimulant—for the frustrated.

As we arrived at the course among the early birds, the attendance was thin and forebodings were heard: "You can't postpone and prosper." We sat down to luncheon hoping for the best.

After luncheon, what a transformation! Paddock, Leger and Flat well peopled and filling rapidly.

By the time the first race had been run the scene had changed again. Committeemen were saying: "We might hit the 25,000 mark." That happened and better. Then was heard: "We might not have got so many on Saturday with opposition from the big League game."

The Shakespearean season inspired comment: "The Bard wrote of mercy dropping as 'the gentle rain from heaven.' Had he been awakened by the rattat-tatting of heavy falls such as on Friday night and early Saturday morning, Portia's speech might have been changed."

Perhaps the programme, attracting top-ranking horses, had more to do with the attendance than the springlike day. None belied its quality and exciting contests were the order of the day. This was racing at its best.

Still there were hard luck stories. Club members who race as "Mr. A. C. Western" missed with Belle Archer mainly because of the filly's suffering a cheek at a vital stage.

Then grand old Gallant Archer failed to gather in Gold Quality in the James Barnes Plate in a fast-finishing run reminiscent of his heyday.

S. G. White, owner of Stockade, sire of Belle Archer, reckoned the filly a good thing beaten. He saw a likely winner in another by Stockade in Insular. Again it did not happen. Neither did Compound (by Stockade) owned by S. G. White and Pat Crennan. Another day and the Stockades will have the wind behind them.

Compound had many admirers on appearance and his breeder said: "He is as good as he looks." That was proved by Compound's winning the Lord Mayor's Cup at Rosehill on the following Saturday.

The Newcastle contingent took away more than it brought, after allowing for generous hospitality. N.J.C. president, Jim Mc-Lauchlan, had a worthwhile collect and called in all within range of the bar to celebrate.

Pat Ryan let everyone know that prize money for the next Newcastle Cup had been increased to £3,500, to assure of

the appearance of Sydney cracks. Pat is chairman of N.J.C. programme committee and a tireless worker.

Among others were Garry Fitzpatrick, Eric Smith and Dave Mackie, respectively president, vice-president and past-president of Newcastle Tattersall's Club; Fred Fahey, N.J.C. Committeeman; George Wells, N.J.C. Secretary; Rex Sanderson and George Sanderson.

Johnny Ruthven told of a happy tour of N.Z. and Australia with Victor Lanson, of Lanson's champagne, which Johnny represents here.

Bill Diftort mixed Shakespeare with his racing as his group, ever so gently, poured measure for measure.

Bill Dawes collected on Belle Princess, but did not forget to tell his friends beforehand of the good tip given him. Norman Elliott also scored on Belle Princess. He won the James Barnes Plate with Curator in other years.

Jack Robinson went for Jack Mandel's Persian Saint to topple the favourite Grand Chancellor, and got a run for his money.

Ted Forrest recouped some of his out-of-pocket on a recent boat trip to Western Australia.

At the secretary's table at the official luncheon, Joe Rich, Randwick course manager, produced a cheese for tasting and

which he rated "the best ever." 'Twas a sad story. The factory had closed through the cows which provided the milk to make the cheese having been caught up in official red tape and strangled—words to that effect.

That's why, as a Commonwealth scientist mentioned recently, cows cry in bed.

S. O. Beilby and C. H. (Bill) Rowlandson, two old pals, were drinking to "good fortune" in which they stood in need with time running out.

Adolph Basser was looking forward eagerly to next season when he hopes to race several of the progeny of Delta.

Committeeman George Chiene received birthday congratulations postponed from Saturday.

Hugh Munro (93) and his son Gordon, nominated their country winner Pembroke, hoping for a payout, but equally to show their colours, as the good sportsmen they are.

They usually fly out to country courses in their private plane, but the Randwick way out is the hard way out, and, perforce, they took it that way. Yet one day private planes taking off from Randwick course will be as common as are motor cars today. Perhaps within the next decade.

Guests at the official luncheon were received by the chairman (John Hickey) and the treasurer (John Roles). Both had co-operated with members of the

committee and the secretary (Dave Dawson) to put on one of the most enjoyable meetings in years in the quality of the racing.

Tattersall's Club meetings at Randwick are a tradition as the A.J.C. chairman (Mr. A. G. Potter) said on a suitable occasion.

This is something for which the Club feels obligated to the A.J.C. with which it has co-operated over the long years in many worthy causes and in playing its part to promote the sport along lines which the ruling racing authority has laid down as a pattern for the finest in performance.

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SUMMARY OF SPORTS TOPICS

THE DERBY

TWO next door English neighbours converged from opposite sides on to the Downs at Epsom on Wednesday and relegated the local favourite to third place in the Derby.

Phil Drake from France won the race from Panaslipper, who crossed the sea from Ireland in search of the coveted trophy.

It was nearly, but not quite, as bad a foreign rout as in 1950 when the French colt Galcador narrowly defeated Prince Simon, who represented America.

Mention of 1950 reminds that M. Boussac nearly scooped the classic 3-year-old pool that year.

He won the Derby, Oaks and St. Leger, all with different horses, and each by a different sire.

The only point common to all three was the jockey, Rae "Togo" Johnstone.

Galcador, by Djebel, won the Derby; Asmena, by Goya, the Oaks, and Scratch, by Pharis, took the St. Leger.

Last year's Derby winner, Never Say Die, was more international in his make-up.

His mother, an American mare by War Admiral, was served in England by Nasrullah. She was then shipped to America, where Never Say Die was foaled.

So the Derby winner was an American by birth, although one of his parents was still in England.

He returned to England as a foreigner to take the turf's most coveted prize.

Curiously enough, his sire Nasrullah, was subsequently purchased at a high figure for America, and was well established in his new home when his son won the Derby.

Women owners have always been more prominent in the results of Derbies in England than is the case out here.

Their prominence was again a feature of this year's race.

The owner of the winner and of the third horse are women, both belonging to famous racing families in France and in England.

Here's the imposing record of women owners in the Derby in the last twenty years.

In 1936 Mrs. J. Shand's Thankerton ran second to the Aga Khan's pair Mahmoud and Taj Akbar. Next year women owners were first and second with Midday-Sun and Sand-sprite.

Mrs. Macdonald Buchanan won with Owen Tudor in 1941, and Miss Dorothy Paget followed suit with Straight Deal in 1943. Mrs. M. Glenister carried on the good work in 1949 with Nimbus.

In 1950 Lady Zia Wernher's Double Escape was third. Mrs. J. V. Rank's Gay Time was second to Tulyar in 1952 and the next year Her Majesty's Aureole was beaten by Pinza.

Phil Drake was bred and is owned by Madame Volterra, whose husband bred and owned Royal Duke, the runner-up to My Love in 1948.

That Derby was certainly a triumph for the famous French breeder Leon Volterra, as he also owned Vatellor, the sire of the winner, My Love.

In 1949 another son of Admiral Drake was unlucky to lose the Derby to Nimbus. That was Amour Drake, also owned by Volterra.

Rae Johnstone rode Amour Drake. He switched to the rails in the final furlong to avoid in-

terference from Nimbus and Swallow Tail, and failed by a head to get up.

So if ever a sire deserved to get a Derby winner it was Admiral Drake, who had previously sired two runners-up in that great race. The third time certainly proved propitious.

Admiral Drake was 20 years old when he got Phil Drake. His Derby win brings posthumous honours to his sire, who died recently.

The other woman owner was Alice, Lady Derby, who supplied the favourite for the race, Acropolis. But unfortunately the best he could do was a well-beaten third place.

Lady Derby is the widow of the famous owner-breeder who owned Hyperion, winner of the Derby in 1933 and a great sire still going strong.

It is appropriate that Acropolis preserves an association with that great horse, who is the sire of his mother.

GOLF

IT'S to be hoped that the A.G.U. doesn't overlook Sydney's claims when it fixes the venue for next year's Open.

The decision will be taken during this year's Open meeting, which starts in Brisbane to-morrow.

It's so long since Sydney saw an Open that our golfers may be pardoned for assuming that the event has lapsed.

Six years, in fact. That was Eric Cremin's year at Australian, when he birdied four of the last five holes to snatch victory from Ossie Pickworth.

Since then, Melbourne has staged three Opens, Adelaide two, and Perth one.

There will be strong pressure for Melbourne to have the 1956 Open. The argument will be that it would coincide nicely with some other golf events and, with the Olympic Games, give Melbourne a bonanza sports year.

That's all very fine, but New South Wales is away ahead of any other State in golf, and it is wrong to deny it the Open for seven years.

It is every good golfer's ambition to play in an Open, but only a handful can afford the expense of interstate travel to do so.

The logical course would be to tie the championship to a firm roster and stick to it so that no one State received favoured treatment.

RUGBY LEAGUE

IT was so unlike Puig-Aubert to go and break an arm on the eve of the French Rugby League team's departure for Australia.

Australians remember Aubert as a footballer who exerted himself less than any other international and never, in any circumstance, risked personal physical hurt.

On the last tour he even declined to tackle an opponent if he thought one of his teammates had shirked his responsibility.

But Australians forgive Puig-Aubert for everything but breaking an arm. There is no one, even including their own Clive Churchill, whom they would rather see on their playing fields.

For when Rugby League fans here think of French footballers they think first of Puig-Aubert. On the last tour in 1951 it was this tubby, out-of-condition little actor with his clowning and magic boot who thrilled the crowds most and put them in

high good humour whenever he played.

In the decade since he joined the Rugby League code, Puig-Aubert has become a legend and a talisman, for his joining marked the resurrection of the 13-a-side game after the wartime ban. Those 10 years have brought him glory — and 40 lb. added weight.

Pipette's astonishing career as a footballer began when he was 18, and weighed no more than 8st. 9lb. He helped the Catalans of the Perpignan team to win the French Rugby Union championship from Bayonne.

But first let us identify him properly. For a start, his name is NOT Puig-Aubert. It should be Aubert Puig.

Since he became a celebrity, it has always been written Puig-Aubert, but his birth on March 24, 1925, is registered in the books of the little village of Arles-sur-Tech, in the eastern

Pyrenees, less than 10 miles from the Spanish border, as Aubert Puig.

That is wrong too. For he was born a Rhinelander at Andernach, near Coblenz. His father, Jean Puig, was in the army of occupation there. To simplify civilian red tape, M. Puig "declared" his son Aubert at Arles-sur-Tech.

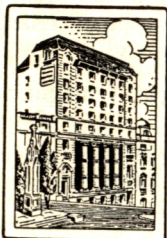
Pipette thus was able in later life to wear the "blood and gold" colours of the Catalans, that fiery border race of the Pyrenees. Today, he captains the Catalan XIII at Perpignan.

Jean Puig, like most Catalans, was a Rugby fanatic. At 15 his son was playing the Union code with a Perpignan club. Two companions were Jo Crespo and Gaston Comes.

Break with Union

Through the junior ranks, Pipette rose by 1943-4 to the

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senior Perpignan club. It was at the end of that season that the little full-back first earned fame, in the championship final.

In the autumn of 1944, as the following season opened, Puig-Aubert made first contact with the Rugby XIII code — and with Paul Barriere, one of the inspiring forces behind its renaissance after the wartime Petain ban in France, and now president of the code.

Barriere had seen the young Perpignan full-back play. He wanted him to join the League game, and had several interviews with Pipette's family. His mother and a cousin were for, but Jean Puig was strongly against any break with the Rugby Union.

One September Sunday in 1944 the father went out hunting. Encouraged by his cousin, Pipette had agreed to play a Rugby League game at Carcassonne, and slipped away from home without telling his mother. Paul Barriere called for him.

When Jean Puig returned, he was told by the officials of the Rugby Union club that his son had run away to the other code. The angry father went to the police station and swore a complaint against Barriere for "abducting an infant."

That afternoon, as Puig-Aubert played for Carcassonne against Beziers in the first match of the Rugby League champion-

ship after the war, two gendarmes approached Paul Barriere.

After they had explained their reason for coming, they asked, "Do you wish to see the match? Very well, see the play, then we go to the gendarmerie afterward."

Which is how Paul Barriere watched the resurrection of the code he loves, from the touch-line, between two policemen!

Pipette played splendidly, and before going off to prison the president of the League went along to the dressing room to congratulate him.

When he discovered what was afoot, Pipette was horrified. "It is not possible! Father has done this without saying anything to my mother; with us, it is she who commands!"

And so it proved. For as soon as Pipette had phoned his mother, the police at Carcassonne were told, "M. Puig withdraws his complaint." Later M. Puig became a good friend of M. Barriere.

His Great Triumph

On February 23, 1946, at Swinton, Puig-Aubert made his international debut in the tri-colour jersey of France.

The young prodigy shared in a 16 to 6 defeat by England. But in a crescendo of five years that French team developed into the side which proved too good for Australia.

Since that day at Swinton, Puig-Aubert has played in 39 matches for France, missing only two or three international matches.

His tour of Australia in 1951 was a veritable triumph. In better physical condition than he had ever known before — or since — Pipette shattered the kicking records of Dally Messenger.

He once landed twelve place kicks from as many attempts, and on the whole tour scored 236 points, a record for any tour of Australia and New Zealand. His tally for 17 games in Australia was 210 points — six tries and 96 goals.

Sydney wanted Puig-Aubert to stay, and he hesitated over several offers. But he decided to return to his aperitifs and his gauloises (French cigarettes) and the hot Catalan sunshine.

Many of his team-mates on that Australian tour soon drifted into the backwaters, but Pipette, though he trained only when forced to, held his place at full-back.

Training a Joke

Dropped after the first Test against Australia in 1952-3, he was back to win the third at Lyons, 13-5, with two magnificent 50-yard kicks at critical stages.

His "training" became one of the jokes of France, and he easily earned the title of "the champion who trains the least". One interviewer found him lighting a new cigarette one afternoon at the training ground and asked him how he was getting into form.

"I am actually smoking a packet and a half a day," Pipette remarked, exhalingly voluptuously. "When I get to two packets, you can say, 'There it is!'"

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Then he added, "The only trouble with this preparation is its cost. One can foresee the need to win, to meet the expenses occasioned by training!" But for the World Cup matches last November Pipette was compelled to get really into condition for the first time since 1951.

After some argument, he agreed to forget about selling chocolates for the Christmas trade—he is a traveller for a chocolate firm — and to join the other French players at training quarters in a college on the outskirts of Paris.

It was salutary for Pipette. He lost four kilos (more than half a stone) in the woods of Vincennes. His sidesteps regained their old ease, his kicking its old surety.

The Paris crowd saw him against New Zealand before the "cure" had had time to work properly, but when, in the 63rd minute, he kicked a magnificent goal from 60 yards he was their hero once more.

By the time he reappeared in Paris for the World Cup final against Britain, Pipette had lost much of his "reserve" weight, and was seen to launch one attack by Contrasting with a superb burst of at least 10 yards.

"Not very far," he commented later. "But in Rugby it is the first metres that count!"

France lost that match, lost it in the forwards, who had not recovered from their battering at the hands of the Kangaroos two days earlier at Nantes.

ATHLETICS

POLE-VAULTING is one of the most demanding events on a track and field programme. It requires speed, strength, co-ordination and timing.

It also involves the difficult task of carrying a long pole to

places of action. To travel with a 16-foot metal stick, an athlete must have enterprise and limitless humour.

The Reverend Robert (Bob) Richards, the world's best pole vaulter and U.S. decathlon champion, is one man who meets the requirements. Since 1950, when he bought his tubular steel pole for four dollars, Richards has taken it with him on trips covering 350,000 miles.

This pole which he has used for all of his jumps has been shipped to wrong destinations and recovered only after diligent searching. Its 192 inches somehow have been crowded into small baggage holds of aircraft. It has been strapped to the roofs of taxi-cabs and buses. In emergencies, Richards has balanced it on his shoulder and carried it from airports and railroad stations.

During all its movements in different parts of the world, the

pole has been damaged only once. It happened during Richards' recent tour to the Middle East and Far East.

"Going from town to town in India, I slung the pole under a maharajah's automobile," he recounts.

"Once we hit a slippery spot in the road, the car went out of control, skidded into a ditch and upended. We got a good shaking up and the vehicle was almost a total wreck.

"For the moment, all I could think about was the vaulting pole. When I saw that it had been only slightly dented I breathed a sigh of relief."

Another story Richards tells concerns the time he wanted to work out at Columbia University and was unable to find a co-operative cab-driver, so thrust the pole through the window of a subway train.

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"I don't know how you did it," said an indignant subway conductor, who spotted him and the pole after the train was under-way, "but never do it again."

It is a question whether Richards or Cornelius Warmerdam of the United States is the greatest pole vaulter of all time. Warmerdam was the first man ever to clear 15 feet.

He still holds the world's records of 15ft. 8½in. made indoors in 1943 and 15ft. 7¼in. made outdoors in 1942.

Richards, however, has topped 15 feet more than 60 times during his career to become the most consistent 15-foot vaulter of all time. Warmerdam retired after making 43 leaps of 15 feet or higher.

Richards, pastor of the Church of the Brethren in Long Beach, California, is counted on as a winner in the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne. Many U.S. sports experts believe that one of these days he will break Warmerdam's records.

N.Z. YEARLINGS

COME on lads! Let's give three cheers for Mr. Robertson! And join me in singing, "For he's a jolly Good Fellow" . . . It was studgroom Bob Hannah speaking. Grouped around him were the foreman, trappers and stable hands at the Trentham yearling sales.

They were paying a warm tribute to Charles Edward McPherson Robertson, called "Robbie" for short. And the occasion

was his last appearance as auctioneer at the famous Wright, Stephenson Trentham yearling sales in January of this year.

He, more than any man had helped to put the New Zealand yearling sales in the forefront of the world's eyes. The remarkable growth and intense interest they evoked not only in Australia, but in America, Uruguay, Japan, Malaya, Chile, South Africa, Fiji and Ceylon could all be attributed to "Robbie."

Within 30 years, his firm has sold more than 5,000 yearlings for more than 2 million guineas. Now this is big money in anyone's language. But "Robbie's" sales talk was irresistible.

"You can buy this one with your eyes shut. He gallops like a hare. This is a horse sure to make history. An iron horse."

"I've seen you, sir, shake your head before and come out a winner. Are you bidding or just looking over the top of your glasses?"

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And so he'd go on, quietly, relentlessly. And the vendor would be saying to himself how lucky he was to have "Robbie" there working for his interests. He might have had arguments with "Robbie" in the past, and strong ones at that. But when the "Boss" got on to the rostrum to sell, he was all for his client and no personalities were ever allowed to intrude on the sale.

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"Robbie" started off his teenage career in a rather unorthodox manner — by hitting his headmaster on the nose. This was at the Riverstone High School.

The headmaster had chided him unfairly then hit him with his umbrella. This offended "Robbie's" dignity and being a husky lad, he did something about it.

He clouted the teacher, and was immediately asked to apologise. Of course, this he couldn't see fit to do, so he was shown the door.

He decided that that would be the end of his formal education, so had himself apprenticed to a printer at the age of 14, at a weekly wage of 5/- per week.

At 19 he was Editor of Otatau "Farmer," published by a branch office of the "Western Star" — the paper to which he was apprenticed. He later joined Otatau "Standard," specialising in agriculture and sport. He then went on to become managing editor of the Bluff Press and Stewart Island "Gazette" which is the most southerly published periodical in the world. After a year and a half, he went to work on the New Zealand "Farmer" as livestock editor. He had a farm of his own at this time and bred Shorthorn cattle and later, Friesians.

It was while editor of this magazine that he first instituted the national cattle consignment, sales of Jerseys, Ayrshires and Freisians. His progress had been carefully watched by Sir William

Hunt, then managing director of Wright, Stephenson, one of the leading bloodstock firms in the world.

And with his usual force, ability and character, Sir William decided to nab this outstanding young man for his company. So "Robbie" joined Wright, Stephenson in 1923.

Although considered in Australia mostly as an expert on bloodhorses, Charlie Robertson is considered by many people to be even a better judge of cattle. He has judged cattle in most of the world's leading centres.

In 1938 he went to America to judge the National Aberdeen-Angus sale at Des Moines, Iowa. But before this, he had visited the Argentine to judge there.

His knowledge of sheep was profound and it wasn't long before he was invited to judge in South America. His all-round knowledge is remarkably thorough — there wouldn't be his equal in many parts of the world.

Sydney saw him twice when he judged Aberdeen - Angus breeds at the R.A.S. He's on a permanent panel of judges at the New Zealand Royal Show, which unlike Sydney, is held at a different town each year. He can judge anything — beef breeds, pigs, sheep or dairy cattle. I think he can even give poultry a go.

But it is as a bloodstock expert that he has become a legend in his own time and partic-

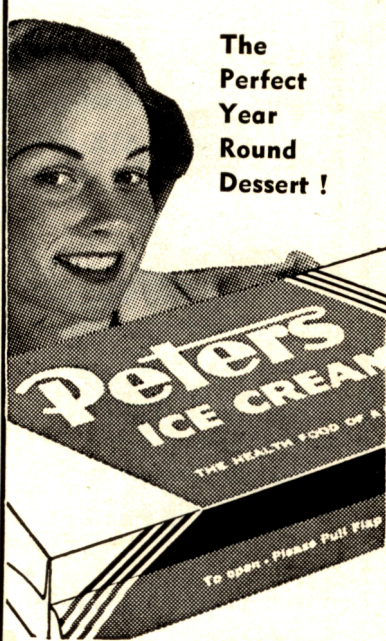
ularly interesting to Australians. He usually has just a little more knowledge up his sleeve than the next man and this has led him to make some outstanding horse deals over the years.

TULYAR'S FIRST CROP

TULYAR was bought two years ago for the Irish National Stud. He was bought on the advice of bloodstock breeding experts; but as things have turned out the advice could have come from high-powered P.R.O.'s and publicity experts. For Tulyar has become the greatest single advertisement the Irish bloodstock industry has ever had.

Tulyar is one of those individuals full of the quality usually referred to as "colour"; he effortlessly commands public at-

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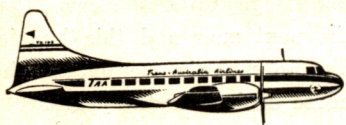
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tention. It was his lazy brilliance as a race horse that first captivated the public. And who could fail to be intrigued by a horse that never need to get down to full stretch. To this day we don't know just how fast Tulyar really was, for he never ran "all out". Whether he was winning the Derby or the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot this Irish-bred just did enough to win and no more.

American breeding interests were very keen on getting Tulyar at the end of his three-year-old career. So the announcement that the Irish National Stud had bought Tulyar for £312,500 came as a sensation in the bloodstock world.

It was something of a gamble for any State body to take, for though Tulyar was one of the best racehorses of this century, many great horses have failed badly at stud. But the fact that the Irish Government had supplied the money to buy history's dearest horse had an unexpected result: world attention was focussed on the Irish Horse; buyers flew over from all parts of the world to Irish sales and to see round Irish studs and the bloodstock export market boomed.

Tulyar has held his place in the public interest and is probably the most discussed horse in the bloodstock world today. American breeders are particularly interested in him and sev-

eral of them have been able to secure mares in foal to Tulyar. As a consequence of this Tulyar's first foal, a filly, was born in California a fortnight ago to the mare Sabzy which had been sold in foal at the Newmarket Sales in December, 1954.

His first Irish-born foal was dropped last week and fittingly enough it was at the Irish National Stud where Tulyar himself is. The foal is a brown colt out of the mare Valient which last November was sold to a Texas breeder. Valient is by the great Irish-bred triple crown winner Bahram and is out of one of the greatest mares in the Stud Book, Trustful, which is the dam of the St. Leger winner, Scottish Union. This colt might make a great three-year-old.

Tulyar's second Irish-born foal was dropped at the Kildangan Stud. It is a colt and its dam is Respite, the dam of the 2,000 Guineas winner Nearula. A Fair Trial colt out of Respite topped the yearling prices in Britain in 1953 and another fetched a very high figure last year.

OBITUARIES

PETER DILLON

Elected 19/3/1928

Died 2/5/1955

E. P. ANDREAS

Elected 27/2/1928

Died 21/5/1955

Looking Back on Tattersall's Club

★ *June, 1934*

JUNE 1934 saw the incoming Committee take office; actually, the new Committee was the same as the old — members had seen fit to make no changes at the General Meeting in May 1934. Interesting, perhaps, to run through the names: Bill Hill was Chairman — his fourth year; Stan Chatterton, Treasurer. Committee was H. C. Bartley, B. Jolley, G. Marlow, J. H. O'Dea, John Roles, J. H. Saunders, W. J. Smith, Frank Underwood. Secretary, of course was Tom Manning. One of the pleasantest things about that list is to see how many of the owners of those names are still with us, still going strong.

JUNE 11th was the 78th birthday of Mr. James Barnes, one of the most memorable of former Chairmen of the Club . . . after whom, of course, was named the James Barnes Plate that you saw run at Randwick just the other day. It was during Mr. Barnes' chairmanship that the decision was made to build the present premises, the actual move being made in 1927.

IN June 1934 we met City Tattersall's in another heat of the Inter-Club Games Competition. It was an "off" night for City Tatts — or an "on" night for us; we took the Billiards, the Dominoes and the Snooker — going down only in the Bridge. However, we still trailed Masonic and C.T.A. Clubs in the total points for the series.

JUNE 9th 1934 was quite an eventful night in the Club. Miss Jean Batten was the guest of the Chairman and Committee in the Dining Room with a big gathering of members there also to honour her achievement in flying here solo, and on to New Zealand. Yes, it was only 21 years ago! At the dinner, Miss Batten was presented with a token of members' esteem. From the account in the Magazine, it was a grand evening.

JUNE 1934 saw the Golf Club have their outing at Killara, when the Club Championship was decided. Bill Longworth proved a most popular winner, with a brilliant 70 off the stick, a near-record for Killara in those days. Runner-up was Max Lawson. On the same day, the "A" Grade Competition was won by Dr. B. M. Riley, and the "B" Grade by the ubiquitous John Hickey — the Golf Club's Secretary at that time.

IN the swimming in 1934, Alec Richards was at the time a "moral" for the Dewar Trophy — he was a full 10 points ahead of Ken Hunter, with only five races still to be swum. His brother Vic and Charles Godhard were battling for third place — Vic was particularly handicapped that year, as he had been injured at Union in 1933, and injured again in the first game of the 1934 season, playing for Randwick against Manly.



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JULY

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 2

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Sat. 9

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Sat. 16

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Wed. 20

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 23

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 30

AUGUST

A.J.C. (Randwick) Mon. 1
(Bank Holiday Meeting)

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Sat. 6

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Wed. 10

AUGUST (Continued)

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 13

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 20

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 27

SEPTEMBER

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Sat. 3

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Wed. 7

Tattersall's Club (Randwick) Sat. 16

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 17

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 24

OCTOBER

*Australian Jockey Club Sat. 1

*Australian Jockey Club Mon. 3

*Australian Jockey Club Wed. 5

*Australian Jockey Club Sat. 8

*(Spring Meeting)
(At Randwick)

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Wed. 12

City Tatt's Club (Randwick) Sat. 15

OCTOBER (Continued)

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 22

A.J.C. (Randwick) Sat. 29

NOVEMBER

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 5

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 12

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) Sat. 19

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Wed. 23

A.J.C. (Randwick) Sat. 26

DECEMBER

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Sat. 3

Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury) Wed. 7

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 10

Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill) Sat. 17

*Australian Jockey Club Sat. 24

*Australian Jockey Club Mon. 26

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(Randwick)

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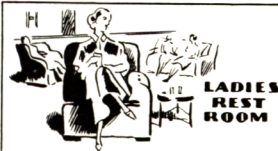


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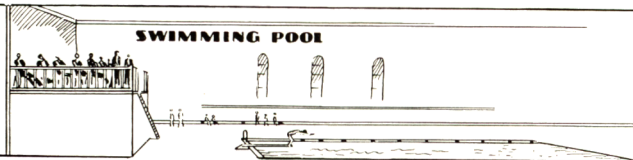


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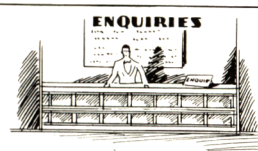


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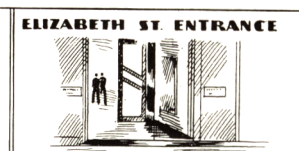
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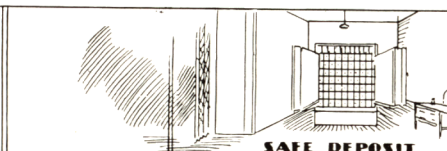
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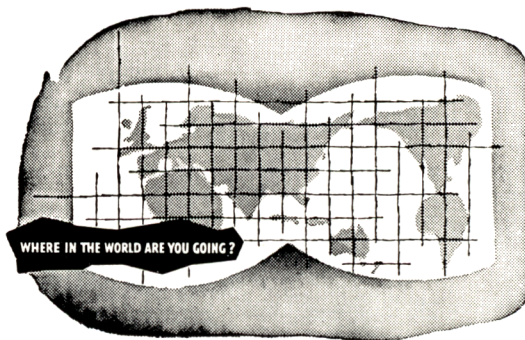


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